

Sri U. S. NAYAK.—Is the Minister not aware that the Land Mortgage Bank at Udipi is not functioning due to some technicalities?

Sri MALI MARIYAPPA.—I have already answered that the general body meeting has not been held. Steps are being taken to convene the general body meeting.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—Is it a policy to start a Land Mortgage Bank for each taluk?

Mr. SPEAKER.—That is too general a question.

Sri Y. MANJAYYA SHETTY.—Has any representation been received by the Registrar to call a general body meeting of the Udipi Bank and if so what steps has he taken to call the general body meeting?

Sri MALI MARIYAPPA.—Recently there was a representation to call the general body meeting and the local officers have been instructed to convene the general body meeting on their own initiative.

Amount allotted and spent under the Second Plan period for Coorg District.

*Q.—353. Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA (Virajpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total amount allotted under the Second Five Year Plan to the District of Coorg and the amount spent for the year 1956-57, 1957-58, 1958-59;

(b) the amount proposed to be spent in the current year;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission approved of an expenditure of 3.5 crores under the II Five Year Plan to Coorg and whether the Government of India assured the erstwhile Government of Coorg at the time of integration that this amount would be spent for Coorg only;

(d) the amount budgeted to be spent for Coorg before the expiry of the II

Five-Year Plan under the revised budget, if any?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(a) Plan allotment is not made on District-wise basis. Hence the progress of expenditure of Coorg District is not available. However, from the figures collected by the Deputy Commissioner the total expenditure incurred for the 3 years comes to Rs. 1,54,91,094. This does not include the expenditure incurred by the Heads of Departments not booked in the District Accounts.

(b) The Plan Programme for the current is of the order of Rs. 35 crores. It is expected that the expenditure in current year will be made substantial than in the past years.

(c) The Second Plan was drawn up in consultation with Planning Commission. The Government is not aware, if Government of India have made any assurance referred to.

(d) The Budget is not drawn up on District-wise basis.

Mr. S. D. GAONKAR.—I rise to a point of order. This question was sent on 20-11 1959 before the member took his oath of allegiance to this Assembly. Is it in order?

Mr. SPEAKER.—He can send.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA.—Supplementary to (c). From the reply I am not enlightened as to whether the expenditure of Rs. 3.5 crores was approved by the Planning Commission.

†Sri B. D. JATTI.—The Planning Commission gives us an indication regarding the size of the plan for the entire Mysore State and it will not give any idea regarding individual district.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA.—My question is whether before integration of Coorg with Mysore the Planning Commission had approved the expenditure of Rs. 3.5 crores?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—It might have been so in the former Coorg State, but in the new Mysore State there is nothing on record to show that the Planning Commission approved so much amount to be spent in Coorg.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Are Government aware that according to the Second Plan of ex-Coorg State the plan programme was estimated to cost Rs. 3.5 crores?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Not only Coorg State, but other areas forming new Mysore State like Bombay and Madras areas also had their own plans.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Was there a plan programme for the Coorg State and was the proposed expenditure Rs. 3.5 crore?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The estimate of the Coorg plan was about Rs. 3.5 crores, something less or something more.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Was it included in the plan programme of the new State?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—This Government had no instructions that Rs. 3.5 crores alone should be spent and not less or more. All the assets and liabilities of the Coorg State were included in the new plan.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Has that plan programme of Coorg been implemented?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—We have done whatever was possible during the last 3 years.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Were there any complaints regarding the implementation of the programme?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Yes, there are some complaints.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—Is it not a fact that the previous Chief Minister while discussing the question of the Second Five Year Plan in the Council had stated that while framing the plan for the new State all the various plans of the integrating areas would be taken together? That being so, how is Government casting some doubt about the Coorg plan?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—There is no doubt but the total amount to be spent was Rs. 146 crores and now it has been brought down to Rs. 136 only and so proportionately there will be cut everywhere.

Sri V. S. PATIL.—Supplementary to (c). Was there such an assurance by the Government of India to the previous Coorg Government?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The reply is there already.

Before I call upon the next question I would like to clarify one point and that is about the membership of the Hon'ble Member Sri Karumbaya. The law is that as soon as the election result is out and declared by the Returning Officer, the person elected becomes a member, but he cannot take part in the debate in this House unless he takes the oath. Now he has taken the oath and he can take part in the debate.

Purchase of Rathnakamblis

* Q.—293. **Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA** (Belur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that they have purchased Ratnakamblis to spread over in Vidhana Soudha and other guest houses;

(b) the net amount paid for these kamblis;

(c) the agency through which these kamblis were purchased;

(d) whether it is a fact that tenders were not called for, for the purchase of these kamblis and if called for how many tenders were received and who is the officer authorised to purchase these articles?

A.—**Sri B. D. JATTI** (Chief Minister).—

(a), (b) and (c) No Persian carpets have been purchased for the Vidhana Soudha and Government Guest Houses. Woollen druggets have however been purchased. (*Vide* statement given below).

(d) Quotations were called for in the three cases in which purchases